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**Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committee on
WATER AND LAND**

**Monday, February 13, 2019
1:20 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 229**

**In consideration of
SENATE BILL 1484
RELATING TO HIKING TRAILS**

Senate Bill 1484 proposes to appropriate funds for the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) to devise an appropriate plan to create a hiking trail from Malaekahana State Park, along the coast, to Turtle Bay Resort, passing makai of the James Campbell National Wildlife Refuge and continuing from Kawela Bay along the coast of Waialeale to Sunset Beach. **The Department appreciates the intent of this bill and offers the following comments.**

The Department is in support of any strategy that will help achieve public trail access to keep up with the rising demand for trail use.

The original 1991 Na Ala Hele Plan identified the Kahuku shoreline trail as a potential priority trail on Oahu. This action was never provided with funds for planning and design, and therefore, it was never pursued.

The proposed trail goes through multiple landowner jurisdictions. The Department thinks that this concept would be more likely to succeed if development of a task force exploring trail feasibility through these multi-jurisdictional lands was created, and is willing to lead such an effort, pending availability of funds.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melodie Aduja	Testifying for O`ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai`i	Support	No

Comments:

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Comments: